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Mr. Jim Hammel Union Carbide Corp. P.O. Box 180 Sistersville, WV 26175

Dear Mr. Hammel:

Regarding your request for information on possible presence of Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCB's) in Texaco Transformer Oils, please note the following:

Texaco neither adds nor uses PCB's in the manufacturing of Transformer Oils. Texaco Transformer Oils are highly refined naphthene oils of petroleum origin. When tested by ASTM D4059-82 "Analysis of PCB's in mineral insulating oils by Gas Chromatography", which has a detection limit of 1.0 PPM, our oils typically show no PCB's. Texaco is confident that the procedures used for the manufacture of Transformer Oil preclude the introduction of PCB's into the product. However, the ubiquitous nature of PCB's in the environment and the constantly improving lower limits of their detectability does not allow us to certify that our product is absolutely free of PCB's.

Very truly yours,

C. J. HENRY

Manager

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